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GROWTH OF ENTERPRISES IN RURAL AREAS
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Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether according to the Economic Census 2005, 61.3 percent of the country`s enterprises in the rural areas are growing faster than those in the urban areas;

(b) if so, the comparative details thereof, rural area-wise and urban area-wise; and

(c) the number of persons got employment in the organised and unorganized sectors during the last two years, urban area-wise and rural area-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE), MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI G.K. VASAN)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As per the provisional results of the Economic Census 2005 released on 12th June 2006, percentage share of enterprises in rural and urban areas were 61.3% and 38.7% respectively. The average annual growth rate in the enterprises during the period 1998-2005 in the rural areas was 5.53% and the corresponding growth rate in the urban areas was 3.71%.

(c) Number of persons who got employment in the organized and unorganized sectors during the last two years was not collected in the Economic Census 2005. However, as per the two most recent quinquennial rounds (1993-94 and 1999-2000) of the National Sample Survey Organisation for which results are available and also using the data collected under the Employment Market Information Programme of the Ministry of Labour and Employment, the estimated numbers of workers in the organized and unorganized sectors during 1999-2000 were 27.96 million and 308.78 million respectively. The corresponding numbers of workers in the organized and unorganized sectors were 27.38 million and 288.46 million respectively during 1993- 94 at country level.